

# MEMORIALABILIA

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### PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

#### ***TEST SCORES IMPROVE!***

Although as I write this, we are still waiting for this year's AYP status, Manchester Memorial High School was recently notified by the NH Department of Education that for the tenth time in eleven years, our test scores improved from the previous year. Dramatic improvement was made in the writing portion of the NE-CAP test.

We are extremely proud of our teachers, staff and especially our students who participated, the Class of 2011! While much work is still left to be done, and with the science portion of the examination coming up in May, we are especially pleased with our test result improvements across the many sub-groupings of students.



### PROMENADE 2010

Memorial High School's Senior/Junior Prom will be held on Saturday, May 29, 2010 at the Center of New Hampshire-Radisson Hotel. No attendees will be allowed to enter the venue after 6:30 PM.

Dinner will be served promptly at 7:00 PM, with the evening ending at midnight. Parents are encouraged to use the side entrance on Pleasant Street if they plan to view students entering for the evening.

### ATTENTION JUNIORS INTERESTED IN GOVERNMENT

Any juniors with a minimum GPA of 3.0 who are interested in attending Boys State from June 26 – July 2 or Girls State from July 27 - July 3 should see Mrs. Kathleen Cavanaugh in RM 321. This year's event will be held at Rivier College.

All costs are covered by the American Legion. This mock government program is a great "learning by doing" experience for those interested in government and politics.

### MMHS & THE FISHER CATS

Memorial's American Sign Language 2, American Sign Language 3, and American Sign Language Independent Study students will perform the National Anthem for the Fischer Cats game at Fisher Cats Stadium in Manchester on April 17, 2010.

Tickets are available at Fisher Cats Stadium or online. Get your tickets early and show some support; it promises to be very exciting and rewarding event for our students.

### NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY NEWS

National Honor Society (NHS) continues to sponsor numerous events designed to aid local charities. NHS will sponsor a blood and bone marrow drive on Monday, March 29 in the MMHS gym from 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

Members will also continue to collect used cell phones and eyeglasses to help the elderly and women in transition. From March 15 to April 2 NHS will be collecting fiction, non-fiction, and children's books for "Families in Transition." These items may be dropped off in the library media center. On May 13-16, select members of the society will attend a transitional leadership conference in West Forks, ME. All junior members will be attending the NHS Spring Conference at UNH on May 25.

### DECA NEWS

DECA is an international, professional association of high school business and marketing students. It is a co-curricular, student-centered, educational, career and technical organization, which reinforces skills taught in the classroom. On March 3, 4, and 5, 35 Memorial students competed at the State DECA Career Development Conference at the Sheraton Tara in Nashua.

More than 300 marketing students from across the State of New Hampshire com-

peted in a variety of events. Also, several Memorial students completed 30-page projects and presented their findings in 15-minute interviews with judges. Memorial’s chapter performed very well in all aspects of the competition, with 18 students winning awards in 13 categories.

**STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS**

Memorial’s Student Council recently held its annual Senior/Faculty Auction, raising almost \$1,800 for senior scholarships and the Haitian Relief Fund. The biggest bid came from Mr. Moutsoulous, who paid \$325 for dinner and a Red Sox game with Mr. Perich and Mr. Adamakos. The student council could not have carried out this wonderful fundraiser without help from community sponsors such as the Manchester Monarchs, Mr. Tux, Pats Peak, The Hair Game, and Michael Thomas Salon.

The student council is also busy planning Memorial Week, which will take place the week before April vacation. The assemblies will include Mr. and Ms. Memorial, Who Wants to be a Memorialaire?, Clash of the Classes, Memorial’s Got Talent, and Wipeout. The evening events will include a dodge ball tournament on Monday, a hypnotist on Wednesday, and Untalented Hour on Thursday. Anyone who wishes to participate should contact Ms. Duchesne.

**ART DEPARTMENT NEWS**

The following students received recognition at the 2010 Scholastic Art Awards Ceremony in February.

Gold Key Portfolio winners were Justine Elgner (Photography), Kathryn Babb (Photography), and Aubrey Corriveau (Art). Kaitlin Triscini received a Silver Key Art portfolio award.

Individual Gold Key Awards were given to: Garrett Black (photography), Justine Elgner (2 in photography), Kara Gingras (photography), Lauren Contic (2 in Design), and Nicole Mitchell (drawing).

Silver Key Awards were given to Garrett Black (photography), Justine Elgner (photography), Aubrey Corriveau (printmaking), Kelly Freitas (drawing), Julia Hopkins (painting), and Nikita Kvashninov(drawing). Honorable Mention Awards were given to Kara Gingras (photography), Katie Babb (2 in photography), and Nicole Mitchell (drawing).

**MUSIC DEPARTMENT NEWS**

During February vacation, Mr. Boraskas and many music students rehearsed for and performed, *The Big 5-0*. This cabaret style performance was chosen in tribute to MMHS’ Silver Anniversary. Despite the power outages from the wind storm, the show was a huge success.

**GRADUATION & REHEARSAL DATES SET**

In an effort to ensure that all high schools graduate at a reasonable time despite the snow days that were added to the year, the Verizon Wireless Arena and the Manchester School District have agreed to hold high school graduations on Friday and Saturday, June 11 & 12, 2010 at three different times. Recently, the rehearsal schedule was also agreed upon for Friday, June 11, 2010.

*ALL EVENTS ARE AT THE VWA*

<u>REHEARSALS</u>	(FRI, June 11, 2010)
Memorial HS	8:00- 10:00 AM
Central HS	11:00AM- 1:00PM
West HS	2:00-4:00PM

<u>GRADUATION</u>	(FRI, June 11, 2010)
Memorial HS	6:30 PM

<u>GRADUATIONS</u>	(SAT, June 12, 2010)
Central HS	1:00 PM
West HS	4:00 PM

**MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT**

Manchester Memorial High School is committed to providing a safe and enriched learning environment in which students can

- work toward the realization of academic and creative potential.
- nurture individual talents and abilities.
- develop respect for themselves and for others.
- become more involved and responsible citizens.

**EXPECTATIONS FOR STUDENT LEARNING**

Manchester Memorial High School graduates will have

*worked toward the realization of academic and creative potential by*

- using critical and creative thinking skills.
- incorporating technology as an aid to problem solving.
- demonstrating academic competencies across the curriculum.
- preparing for a successful transition into the workplace or post secondary education.

*nurtured individual talents and abilities by*

- developing academic, athletic, social, and civic skills.
- cultivating team and leadership skills.
- refining unique talents.

*developed respect for themselves and for others by*

- accepting responsibility for personal decisions.
- experiencing a wide variety of physical activities for wellness.
- investing in their own education.

*become more involved and responsible citizens by*

- recognizing the value of individual participation within the community.
- respecting diversity and the rights of others.

“IT IS THE POLICY OF THE SCHOOL BOARD, IN ITS ACTIONS, AND THOSE OF ITS EMPLOYEES, THAT THERE SHALL BE NO DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF SEX, RACE, RELIGION, NATIONALITY, ETHNIC ORIGIN, AGE OR HANDICAP, FOR EMPLOYMENT IN, PARTICIPATION IN, OR OPERATION AND ADMINISTRATION OF ANY PROGRAM OR ACTIVITY IN THE MANCHESTER SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.”